



# Plan Your Visit



Welcome to Zion National Park. Steep cliffs, narrow canyons, and unpredictable weather add to the challenge and adventure of a visit, so it is important to plan carefully for your stay. Park rangers at the visitor centers can provide planning information and weather forecasts, but your safety depends on your own good judgment,

adequate preparation, and constant awareness.



### WATER

The desert is an extreme environment. Carry enough water, one gallon per person per day, and

drink it. Water is available at visitor centers, campgrounds, Zion Lodge, and other locations. Do not drink untreated water.

### **Hours of Operation & Fees**

**Zion Canyon Visitor Center** 

8:00 am to 5:00 pm Closed 12/25

Zion Canyon **Backcountry Desk**  8:00 am to 4:30 pm

**Zion Human** 

10:00 am to 5:00 pm

**History Museum** 

**Kolob Canyons Visitor Center** 

8:00 am to 4:30 pm

Closed 11/24 & 12/25

Fees: \$25 per vehicle; \$12 per individual: pedestrian, bicycle, motorcycle, or organized group. Entrance fees are valid for seven days.



#### STEEP CLIFFS

Falls from cliffs on trails have resulted in death. Ice, loose sand, and pebbles are very slippery.

Be aware of edges when using cameras or binoculars. Never throw or roll rocks because there may be hikers below you.

- Stay on the trail.
- · Avoid cliff edges.
- · Observe posted warnings.
- Please watch children.



#### DRIVING

Park roads are used by vehicles, bicycles, walkers, and even wildlife. Obey posted speed limits.

Unless otherwise posted, the maximum speed limit in the park is 35 mph.

Seat belts or child safety seats are required for all occupants in a vehicle.

#### ZION ANNUAL PASS \$50

Admission to Zion National Park for one year from date of purchase



### **SENIOR PASS**

Admission to all federal fee areas for life, U.S. residents 62 years or older.



### ANNUAL PASS

Admission to all federal fee areas for one year from date of purchase.



## ACCESS PASS

Admission to all federal fee areas for life, permanently disabled U.S. residents.



All passes are available at park entrance stations. Information about interagency passes and participating agencies (NPS, BLM, FWS, FS, and BOR) is available online at store.usgs.gov/pass.

To protect park resources, park only in designated spaces and turn off your engine when your vehicle is stopped.

Don't drink and drive. For your safety, park rangers enforce laws against alcohol and drug-related driving offenses, including open container violations.

For Utah road conditions, please call 866-511-8824.



#### HYPOTHERMIA

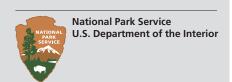
Hypothermia occurs when the body is cooled to dangerous levels. It is the number one killer

of outdoor recreationists, even in warm

weather, and it usually happens without the victim's awareness. It is a hazard in narrow canyons because immersion in water is the quickest way to lose body heat. To prevent hypothermia, avoid cotton clothing because it provides no insulation when wet and eat high energy food before you are chilled. Signs of hypothermia include:

- Uncontrollable shivering
- Stumbling and poor coordination
- Fatigue and weakness
- Confusion or slurred speech

If you recognize any of these signs, stop hiking and immediately replace wet clothing and add insulating layers.



#### **Zion National Park**

#### Superintendent

Jock Whitworth

#### **Mailing Address**

Zion National Park Springdale, UT 84767

#### **Park Information**

435 772-3256

#### **Backcountry Information**

435 772-0170

#### Website

www.nps.gov/zion

#### E-mail

ZION\_park\_information@nps.gov

#### **Lost and Found**

Report at any visitor center

#### **Emergencies**

911 or 435 772-3322

## Services



#### ACCESSIBILITY

The park visitor centers, museum, restrooms, shuttle buses, picnic areas, and Zion Lodge are

accessible. Several campsites are reserved for people with disabilities, and the Pa'rus Trail and Riverside Walk offer accessible hikes. Service dogs are permitted on a leash throughout the park.

The orientation film offers captioning and the frontcountry trails video has an audio description. Accessible programs are indicated in the Ranger-led Program Schedule. Assistive listening devices are available by reservation for all ranger-led programs. Please visit the Zion Canyon Visitor Center for more information.



#### LODGING

In the park, the Zion Lodge has rooms, suites, cabins, and a gift shop. For reservations, please

call 888-297-2757 or 435-772-7700, or visit www.zionlodge.com. Other lodging options are available in Springdale, Rockville, Hurricane, near the East Entrance, Mt. Carmel Junction, Kanab,

St. George, Cedar City, and other surrounding communities.



#### RESTAURANTS

In the park, the Zion Lodge serves breakfast, lunch, and dinner. Dinner reservations

are required; please call 435-772-7760. There are also restaurants in Springdale, Virgin, La Verkin, Hurricane, near the East Entrance, Mt. Carmel Junction, Kanab, St. George, Cedar City, and other surrounding communities.



#### GROCERIES

There are grocery stores in Springdale, La Verkin, Hurricane, Kanab, St. George, and Cedar City.

There are convenience stores in most surrounding communities.



#### MONEY

An ATM is located in the park at the Zion Lodge. Banks and ATMs are located in most

surrounding communities.



#### SHOWERS

There are no showers available within Zion National Park. Pay showers are available

in Springdale and east of the park. The availability of these services varies throughout the year.



#### LAUNDRY

There are laundry facilities located in Springdale, Hurricane, and Kanab. There are

no laundry facilities within the park.



#### PETS

Leashed pets may be walked on the Pa'rus Trail. However, pets are not permitted on any

other trails, on shuttles, in public buildings, or in the backcountry. Pets must be under physical control on a leash less than six feet long at all times. Avoid leaving animals in vehicles. The interior temperature of a vehicle can quickly change to dangerous levels. Boarding kennels are available in Rockville, Kanab, Hurricane, St. George, and Cedar City.

# Wildlife



Zion National Park is home to 69 species of mammals, 208 birds, 29 reptiles, six amphibians, and nine fish. Commonly

seen animals include mule deer, lizards, and many species of birds. Rare or endangered species include the peregrine falcon, Mexican spotted owl, California condor, desert tortoise, and the Zion snail, found only in Zion National Park.



#### MOUNTAIN LIONS

There are mountain lions in the park. Attacks are unlikely and have never been reported. However, please watch children closely and never let them run ahead or lag behind. More information is posted at trailheads. Please report any sightings or encounters to a park ranger as soon as possible.

#### DESERT BIGHORN SHEEP

Desert bighorn sheep are often seen on the east side of the park. Although they naturally shy away from people, some of these animals have grown accustomed to visitors in the park. Please do not approach or feed bighorn sheep.

#### RESPECT WILDLIFE

Please keep all animals wild and healthy by viewing them from a safe distance. Do not feed or touch wildlife. Store food and trash responsibly.

#### SICK OR INJURED ANIMALS

Be aware that wild animals can be unpredictable. Do not approach animals or attempt to move sick or injured wildlife. Please report any sick or injured animals to a park ranger.

# Emergencies



For 24-hour emergency response, call 911 or 435-772-3322. The Zion Canyon Medical Clinic is located in Springdale near the south entrance to the park. For hours, please call 435-772-3226. Other medical clinics are located in Hurricane. The nearest hospitals are in St. George, Cedar City, and Kanab.

# Flash Floods



All narrow canyons are potentially hazardous. Flash floods, often caused by storms miles away, are a real danger and can be

life threatening. You are assuming a risk when entering a narrow canyon. Your safety is your responsibility.

Check the weather forecast and watch for indications of a possible flash flood. If you observe any of these signs, seek higher ground immediately:

- Any deterioration in weather conditions
- Build up of clouds or sounds of thunder
- Sudden changes in water clarity from clear to muddy
- Floating debris
- Rising water levels or stronger currents
- Increasing roar of water up canyon



During a flash flood, the water level rises within minutes or even seconds. A flash flood can rush down a canyon in a wall of water over twelve feet high.

# Recreation



#### CAMPING

Campgrounds in Zion Canyon have restrooms, drinking water, picnic tables, fire grates, and

dump stations. All sites are half price for holders of Interagency Senior and Access Passes. There are no showers available within Zion National Park. Pay showers are available in Springdale and east of the park. The availability of these services varies throughout the year.



#### **FIRES**

When fire danger is high, campfires may be prohibited. When permitted, fires are only

allowed in fire grates in the campgrounds. Bring or buy firewood. Collecting any type of wood in the park is prohibited.



#### BICYCLING

Bicycles may travel on roadways and on the Pa'rus Trail. Bicycles are not allowed off roadways,

in construction areas, or in the Zion-Mt. Carmel Tunnel. When riding from the South Entrance, use the Pa'rus Trail instead of the main road. Do not pass moving vehicles. The rules of the road apply to bicycles. Please ride on the right side of the road in single file and wear your helmet.



#### CLIMBING

The sandstone cliffs of Zion National Park are famous for big wall climbs. Climbing in the park

requires appropriate hardware and advanced technical skills. This is not a place for inexperienced climbers. There are few top roping areas and no sport climbs. Permits are not required for day climbs, but they are required for all overnight bivouacs. Climbing information and route descriptions are available at the Zion Canyon Backcountry Desk in the Zion Canyon Visitor Center.

Some climbing areas and routes are closed to climbing each year from early March through August to protect nesting peregrine falcons. Areas that are routinely closed to climbing include The Great White Throne, Cable Mountain, Court of the Patriarchs, and Angels Landing. Check at visitor centers or visit www.nps.gov/zion for current closure information.

### Campgrounds

	Sites	Fees	Reservations
Watchman Campground	183	\$16 per night \$18 per night for electric hookups \$20 per night for river sites	www.recreation.gov 877-444-6777 Up to six months in advance
South Campground Opens 3/03	126	\$16 per night	First-come, first-served
<b>Lava Point Campground</b> no water; pit toilets	6	No fee	First-come, first-served
<b>Group Campsites</b> organized groups of 9 to 40 people	7	\$3 per person per night	www.recreation.gov 877-444-6777

Private campgrounds with showers and hookups are available outside of the park. South Campground is closed from October 31 to March 2. Watchman Campground is first-come, first-served from November 28 to March 2. The number of available campsites may vary throughout the year.



#### HORSEBACK RIDING

Horses traditionally have been used to explore the terrain of Zion National Park. Guided trips are

available starting at the corral near the Emerald Pools Trailhead. For private stock use, see the Backcountry Guide or inquire at visitor centers.



#### WATERCRAFT

All watercraft use in Zion National Park requires a backcountry permit. Permits are issued only

when the Virgin River is flowing in excess of 140 cubic feet per second. Inner tubes are not permitted at any time on any watercourse in the park.



## HIKING AND CANYONEERING

Hiking in canyons, even short hikes, requires advance planning. Some

hikes involve walking in water. Rivers and washes are subject to flash flooding. Know the weather and flash flood potential forecasts before starting your trip. Daily forecasts are posted in park visitor centers. Many canyons require ropes, hardware, and advanced technical skills for rappelling and ascending.



#### BACKPACKING

Permits are required for all backcountry camping. There is a fee. Permits and hiking information

are available at visitor centers. The maximum group size is 12 people. Please read the Backcountry Guide for more information.



#### BACKCOUNTRY PERMITS

Permits are required for overnight trips, throughhikes of The Narrows and its tributaries, The

Subway and Left Fork, Kolob Creek, and all canyons requiring the use of technical equipment. Reservations are available online for many permits at www.nps.gov/zion. Permits must be obtained at the visitor centers before your trip.

Backcountry fees are based on the size of your group:

- \$10 for 1-2 people
- \$15 for 3-7 people
- \$20 for 8-12 people

The maximum group size is 12 people of the same affiliation on the same trail or in the same drainage on the same day. The limit for some canyons is six people.



### THE NARROWS

The Virgin River has carved a spectacular gorge in the upper reaches of Zion Canyon—16 miles

long, up to 2000-feet deep, and at times only 20 to 30-feet wide. The Narrows, with its soaring walls, sandstone grottos, natural springs, and hanging gardens can be an unforgettable experience. It is not, however, a trip to be underestimated. Hiking The Narrows means hiking in the Virgin River. At least 60 percent of the hike is spent wading, walking, and sometimes swimming in the river. There is no maintained trail because the route is the river. The current is swift, the water may be cold and deep, and the

rocks underfoot are slippery. Flash flooding and hypothermia are constant dangers. Good planning, proper equipment, and sound judgment are essential for a safe and successful trip. Your safety is your responsibility.

There are three ways to hike The Narrows, weather and water conditions permitting.

#### DAY HIKE FROM THE BOTTOM AND BACK

This round-trip hike can last up to eight hours and is the simplest way to experience The Narrows. Start at the Temple of Sinawava, walk one mile to the end of the paved Riverside Walk, and begin wading up the river. There is no formal destination and you must return the same way you entered. Many hikers try to reach the junction with Orderville Canyon, a tributary creek approximately two hours upstream from the paved trail. A permit is not required and group size limits do not apply. Travel upstream into Orderville Canyon or beyond Big Spring is prohibited.

#### DAY HIKE FROM TOP TO BOTTOM

This strenuous 16-mile all-day hike requires a permit and a private shuttle to the trailhead. Please see the Backcountry Guide or inquire at the Zion Canyon Backcountry Desk for more information.

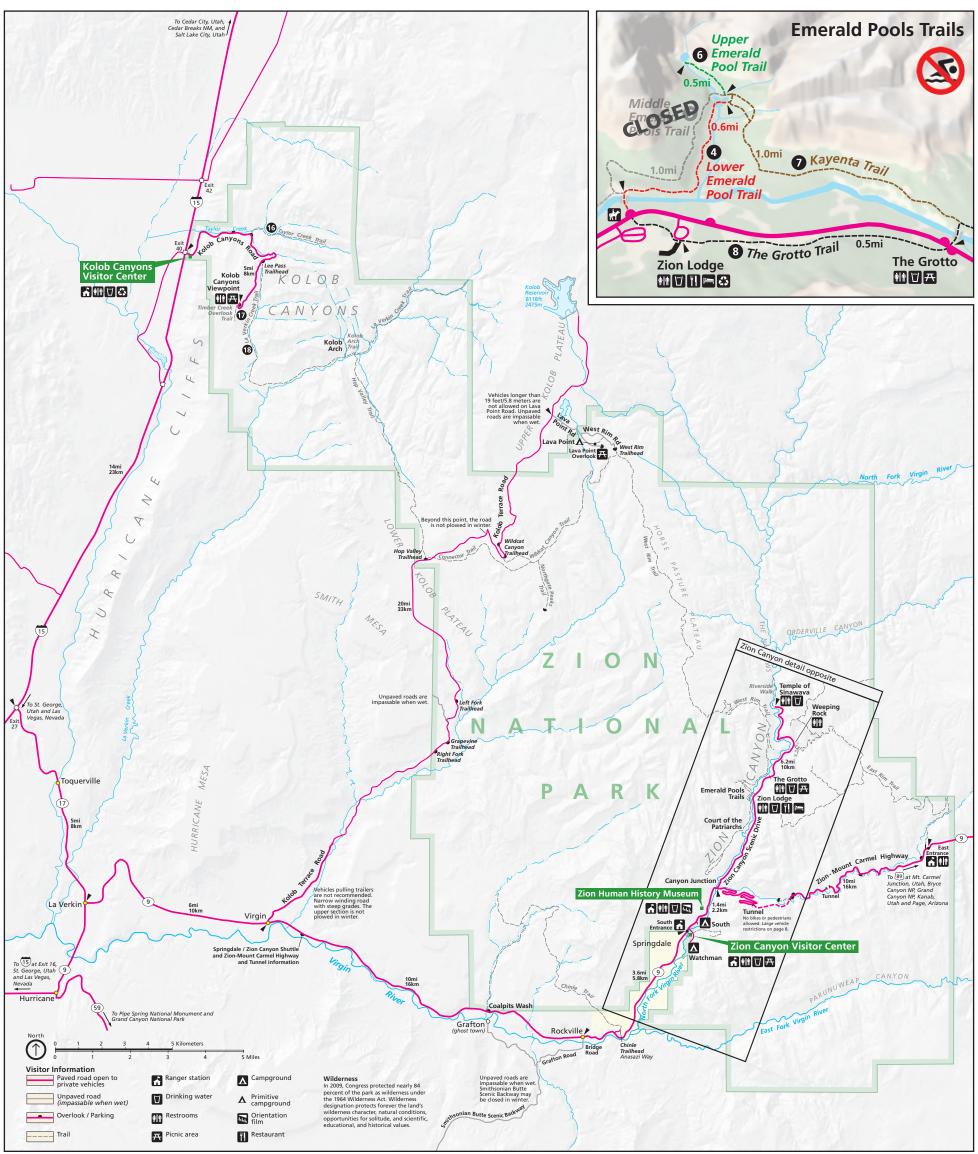
#### OVERNIGHT HIKE FROM TOP TO BOTTOM

This two-day hike requires a permit and a private shuttle to the trailhead. Maximum stay is one night. Please see the Backcountry Guide or inquire at the Zion Canyon Backcountry Desk for more information.

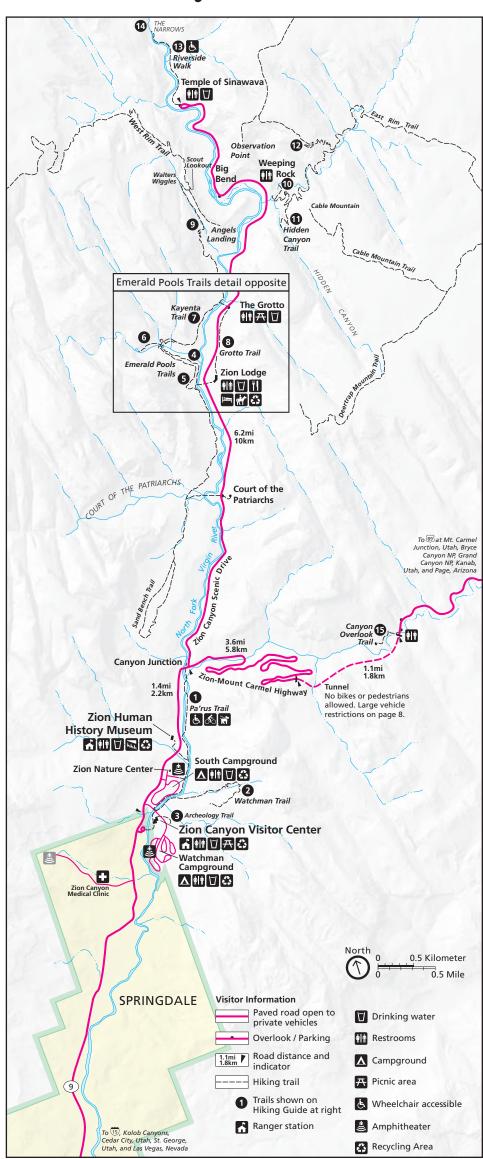
#### THE NARROWS CHECKLIST

- Obtain weather and flash flood potential forecasts before your trip.
- Wear closed-toe shoes or sturdy boots with ankle support. Do not wear sandals or water shoes.
- Take a walking stick. Do not cut tree branches for sticks.
- Children should not hike in the river due to strong currents and deep pools.
- Carry out all trash, including food wrappers, apple cores, fruit peels, and toilet paper.
- Carry one gallon of drinking water per person per day, food, sunglasses, sunscreen, and a first aid kit.
- In the winter, dry suits are essential for a day-hike. The Narrows is much cooler than other areas in Zion Canyon.
- Pack your gear in waterproof bags.
- Use the restroom at the Riverside Walk trailhead before hiking. There are no toilets in The Narrows.

# Zion National Park



# Zion Canyon



### **Hiking Guide**

Hike		<b>Round Trip</b>	Elevation	Description
Location		Average time mi / km	<b>Change</b> ft / m	
Easy				
Pa'rus Trai		2 hours	50 / 15	Paved trail follows the Virgin Rive
Zion Canyo Visitor Cen		3.5 / 5.6		from the South Campground to Canyon Junction. Trailside exhibits.
Archeolog		0.5 hour	80 / 24	Short, but steep. Starts across from the entrance to
Zion Canyo Visitor Cen		0.4 / 0.6		the visitor center parking lot. Climbs to the outlines of several prehistoric buildings. Trailside exhibits.
Lower Em	erald	1 hour	69 / 21	Minor drop-offs. Paved trail leads to the Lower
<b>Pool Trail</b> Zion Lodge		1.2 / 1.9		Emerald Pool and waterfalls. Connects to the Middle Emerald Pools. Sections may be icy or closed in winter.
Grotto Tra	il	0.5 hour	35 / 11	The trail connects the Zion Lodge to The Grotto.
Zion Lodge The Grotto		1.0 / 1.6		Can be combined with the Middle Emerald Pools and Kayenta Trails to create a 2.5-mile loop.
Weeping F	Rock Trail	0.5 hour	98 / 30	Short, but steep. Minor drop-offs. Paved trail ends
Weeping R	ock	0.4 / 0.6		at a rock alcove with dripping springs. Trailside exhibits. Sections may be icy or closed in winter.
Riverside	Walk	1.5 hours	57 / 17	Minor drop-offs. Paved trail follows the Virgin
Temple of S	inawava	2.2 / 3.5		River along the bottom of a narrow canyon. Trailside exhibits. Wheelchairs may need assistance. May be icy.
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Watchmar		2 hours	368 / 112	Minor drop-offs. Ends at viewpoint of the Towers
Zion Canyo Visitor Cen	n	2.7 / 4.3	3007112	of the Virgin, lower Zion Canyon, and Springdale. May be muddy and icy.
Middle Em	nerald	2 hours	150 / 46	Long drop-offs. An unpaved climb to the
<b>Pools Trail</b> Zion Lodge		2.0 / 3.2		Middle Emerald Pools. Loose sand and rocks on stone are slippery. <b>Closed due to rockslide.</b>
Upper Em	erald	1 hour	200 / 61	Minor drop-offs. A sandy and rocky trail that climbs
<b>Pool Trail</b> Zion Lodge		1.0 / 1.6		to the Upper Emerald Pool at the base of a cliff. May be icy.
Kayenta T		2 hours	150 / 46	Long drop-offs. An unpaved climb to the
The Grotto		2.0 / 3.2		Emerald Pools. Connects The Grotto to the Emerald Pools Trails. May be icy.
Canyon O	verlook	1 hour	163 / 50	Long drop-offs, mostly fenced. Rocky and uneven
<b>Trail</b> Zion-Mt. Ca	armel Hwy	1.0 / 1.6		trail ends at viewpoint of Pine Creek Canyon and lower Zion Canyon. May be snow covered and icy.
Taylor Cre		4 hours	450 / 137	Limited to 12 people per group. Follows the Middle
Kolob Cany	ons Road	5.0 / 8.0		Fork of Taylor Creek past two homestead cabins to Double Arch Alcove. Often snow covered.
Timber Cre		0.5 hour	100/30	Follows a ridge to a small peak with views of Timber
Overlook Kolob Cany		1.0 / 1.6		Creek, Kolob Terrace, and Pine Valley Mountains. Often snow covered.
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Angels La		4 hours	1488 / 453	Long drop-offs. Not for young children or
via West R The Grotto	tim Trail	5.4 / 8.7		anyone fearful of heights. Last section is a route along a steep, narrow ridge to the summit. May be snow covered and icy.
Hidden Ca	nyon	3 hours	850 / 259	Long drop-offs. Not for anyone fearful of
<b>Trail</b> Weeping R	ock	2.4/3.9		heights. Follows along a cliff face to the mouth of a narrow canyon. May be snow covered and icy.
Observation		5 hours	2148 / 655	Long drop-offs. Climbs through Echo Canyor
<b>via East Ri</b> Weeping R		8.0 / 12.9		to a viewpoint of Zion Canyon. Access to Cable Mountain, Deertrap, and East Mesa Trails. Often snow covered.
The Narro		8 hours	334 / 102	Read page 3 and check conditions at the visitor
via Riversi Temple of S		9.4 / 15.1		center before attempting. Through-hike not recommended in winter. Dry suits are essential for day-hike in the winter.
Kolob Arc		8 hours	1037/316	Limited to 12 people per group. Follows Timber
La Verkin	Creek	14.0 / 22.5		and La Verkin Creeks. Connects to the trail to Kolok
Trail				Arch, one of the world's largest freestanding arches

Stay on established trails and watch your footing, especially at overlooks and near drop-offs. Avoid cliff edges. Watch children closely. People uncertain about heights should stop if they become uncomfortable. Never throw or roll rocks because there may be hikers below.

# Weather



Winters in Zion National Park are cold and often wet. Temperatures can range from highs of 50°F to 60°F during the day

to lows well below freezing at night.

Nearly half of the annual precipitation in Zion Canyon falls between the months of December and March. Most roads are plowed, but trails may be closed due to snow and ice. After winter storms, snow typically disappears within a matter of hours at lower elevations. At higher elevations, the snow accumulates. As temperatures rise in spring, melting snow causes high water levels in the Virgin River and its tributaries.

Climate												
	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Temperature (°F)												
Average high	52	57	63	73	83	93	100	97	91	78	63	53
Average low	29	31	36	43	52	60	68	66	60	49	37	30
Record high	71	78	86	94	102	114	115	111	110	97	83	71
Record low	-2	4	12	23	22	40	51	50	33	23	13	6
Days above 90°F	0	0	0	1	8	21	30	28	18	3	0	0
Days below 32°F	19	14	10	3	0	0	0	0	0	1	9	18
Precipitation (inches)												
Average	1.6	1.6	1.7	1.3	0.7	0.6	0.8	1.6	0.8	1.0	1.2	1.5
Record high	7.5	6.7	7.1	4.4	3.0	4.0	3.6	4.8	6.7	3.3	3.2	4.3
Record snowfall	26	18	14	3	1	0	0	0	1	1	5	21
Thunderstorms	0	0	0	1	4	5	14	15	5	2	0	0

Temperatures at higher elevations, including the Kolob Canyons area of the park, may be five to ten degrees cooler than Zion Canyon.

#### **Sun and Moon** Sunset **Sunrise** December 1 7:27 am 5:15 pm December 15 7:38 am 5:16 pm 5:25 pm 7:46 am January 1 January 15 7:45 am 5:38 pm 7:35 am 5:56 pm February 1 February 15 7:21 am 6:11 pm March 1 7:02 am 6:27 pm March 15 7:40 pm 7:42 am 7:55 pm April 1 **Full Moon** December 10 January 9 February 7 March 8

# **Environmental Impact**



Zion National Park is much more than just a recreational destination. It is a sanctuary of natural and cultural resources.

Conserving this heritage is a task that the National Park Service cannot accomplish alone. All of us serve a critical role in maintaining Zion's sanctuary for the future. Please respect your national park and the experiences of others.

#### RECYCLING AND TRASH

Please do not litter. Carry out or recycle all of your trash, including toilet paper. The park recycling program provides disposal for plastic, aluminum, glass, paper, and other materials. Zion National Park works closely with the community to provide many recycling options for visitors. With help from you, Zion kept over 90,000 lbs of waste out of landfills in 2010. Participate in recycling efforts by using the available recycling bins inside the park and in local communities.

#### HIKING

Please stay on marked trails. Hiking off trails can lead to loss of vegetation, soil compaction, erosion, and unsightly scars on the landscape.

#### WILDLIFE

Feeding, harming, or capturing wild animals is illegal and can cause injury or death to the animal. Animals can become aggressive beggars when fed.

#### **OBJECT COLLECTION**

It is illegal to remove anything from Zion National Park. Leave the flowers, rocks, and anything else that you might find for others to enjoy.

#### SOUNDSCAPES

Soundscapes, or sound environments, are an important natural feature of the park. Be aware of the noise that you make so that others may enjoy the peace and solitude of the park. Please travel quietly and limit the size of your group.

### WATER BOTTLE FILLING STATIONS

There are several water bottle filling stations located throughout the park. To reduce waste, the sale of disposable plastic water bottles is prohibited in Zion Canyon. Support this initiative by bringing a reusable water bottle with you and using it after you leave. Water bottle

filling stations are located at the Zion Canyon Visitor Center, Zion Human History Museum, Zion Lodge, and the Temple of Sinawava. Most water bottle filling stations are closed in the winter.

#### ZION CANYON SHUTTLE SYSTEM

The shuttle system was created to reduce traffic congestion, parking conflicts, pollution, noise, and resource damage during busy months. Each full shuttle replaces 28 cars. The shuttles reduce the number of vehicle miles traveled per day by over 50,000 and reduce CO<sub>2</sub> emissions by over 12 tons per day.

#### ZION CANYON VISITOR CENTER

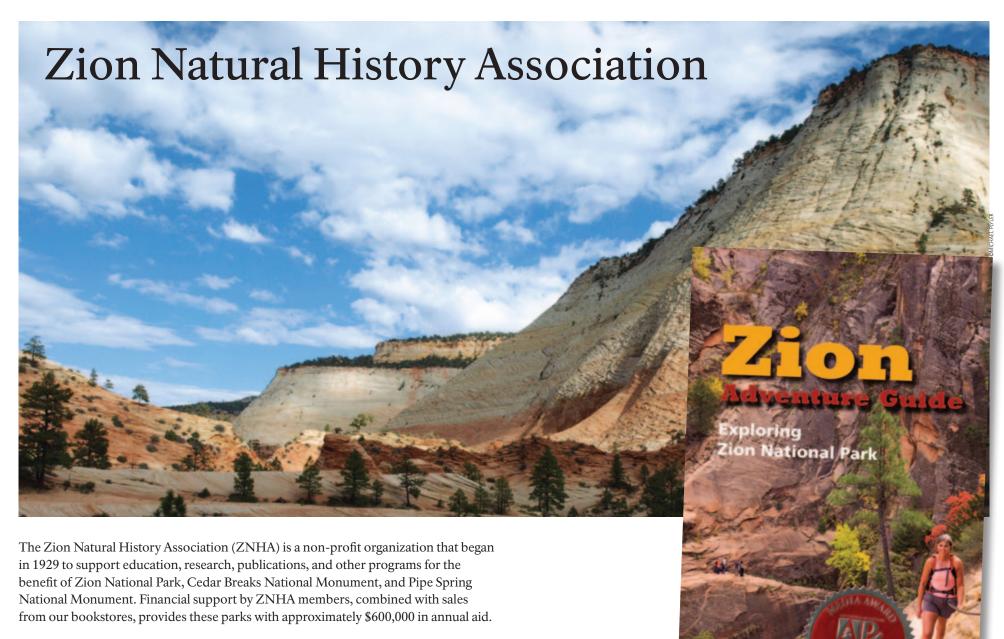
The Zion Canyon Visitor Center is a sustainable building that incorporates the area's natural features and energy-efficient building concepts into an attractive design, saving energy and operating expenses while protecting the environment. Natural lighting and ventilation, passive downdraft cooling towers, Trombe wall heating, and a photovoltaic system reduce energy use by more than 70 percent and prevent the annual release of 181 tons of CO<sub>2</sub>.

### SOLAR POWER

Solar power provides clean energy for Zion National Park. In 2010, large photovoltaic systems were installed at the Kolob Canyons Visitor Center, the Emergency Operations Center, and Zion Headquarters. The park generates 12 percent of its power from renewable sources. Solar arrays also power two remote ranger cabins and 75 percent of park entrance stations.



The Zion Canyon Visitor Center is an excellent example of sustainable design.



### ZION CANYON FIELD INSTITUTE

The Zion Canyon Field Institute (ZCFI) educates and inspires visitors about the greater park ecosystem and environment. ZCFI is the educational division of the non-profit cooperating association Zion Natural History Association. These workshops take place in and around Zion National Park, Cedar Breaks National Monument, and Pipe Spring National Monument.

# **ZCFI Outdoor Learning Adventures**

Dec 9-10 Winter Photography

Feb 11 Native Plant Seed Propagation

Mar 29 Thursday Trek Mar 30 Poetry in the Park

Apr 5 Thursday Trek
Apr 7 Mojave Wildflowers

All classes include moderate to strenuous hiking. Most classes include an indoor component such as a lecture, slide presentation, demonstration, or time to examine animal or plant specimens.

### OUTDOOR LEARNING ADVENTURES

Hike to a hanging garden where vibrant columbine grow next to scarlet monkey flowers. Relax while a geologist explains the wonders of Zion in a small group setting. Enjoy a discussion by the Virgin River about water issues in the West. Wade into The Narrows and plunge into a service project to keep it pristine. These are just a few of the experiences that you can enjoy during our workshops.

#### SERVICE PROJECTS

Participants have the opportunity to get a backstage view of Zion, learn intensively about a single subject, and contribute to a project that benefits the park.

#### PRIVATE WORKSHOPS

Our Custom Explore Zion Program provides private workshops for small groups scheduled at your convenience.

#### REGISTRATION

Pick up the course schedule at any of the park's bookstores. To register for a course, please visit www.zionpark.org, call 435 772-3264 or 800 635-3959, or stop by the Zion Canyon Visitor Center Bookstore. Fees for one-day workshops are \$45 to \$60 per day.

#### MEMBERSHIP

Become a member of ZNHA and enjoy benefits for yourself today,

while you help Zion tomorrow. ZNHA supports the educational outreach and the Junior Ranger programs for youth, publishes books on Zion, contributes to park ranger-led programs, and provides free visitor information about the park.

Join us as a member and receive a twenty-percent discount on all purchases at ZNHA bookstores and many ZCFI workshops. Members also receive discounts at participating associations, our quarterly e-newsletter, and the bi-annual *Sojourns* publication. Most importantly, your membership helps ensure future educational and research activities in Zion National Park.

#### MEMBERSHIP LEVEL OPTIONS

Individual Sojourns \$45
Family Sojourns \$60
Contributor \$100
Advocate \$250
Lifetime \$500

#### ZION TRIP PLANNING PACKAGE

Plan your vacation to Zion National Park with our hand-selected publications.

Includes the books: Zion: Sanctuary in the Desert, Zion Shuttle Guide, Zion Adventure Guide, Introduction to the Geology of Zion National Park, and a Trails Illustrated Map. A \$46.33 value for only \$34.95. All books are also available for individual purchase.

#### ZION NATIONAL PARK ORIENTATION FILM

Enjoy the official Zion National Park orientation film in your own living room. Learn about plants, animals, geology, park history, and what to see and do in Zion National Park. DVD, 22 minutes, for \$14.95.

#### MAPS OF ZION

The bookstore sells a wide variety of topographic maps, geologic maps, and maps on CD.

To find out more about the programs and publications available through the Zion Natural History Association, please visit our website at www.zionpark.org or call 800 635-3959.

# Transportation

Improper parking is unsafe and damages park resources. Park in designated spaces only and turn off your engine when your vehicle is stopped. Parking regulations are strictly enforced. Citations are issued for violations of signed no parking areas, traffic obstruction, and damage to resources or government property. Please park responsibly.



#### PRIVATE TAXIS

You may choose to start your hiking trip in a different location than your destination. Private

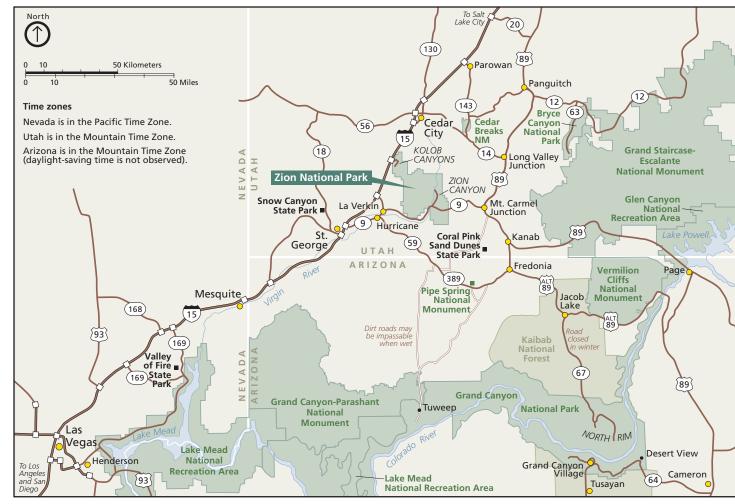
shuttle and taxi services are available.



### OTHER VEHICLES

Vehicles such as ATVs and OHVs are not permitted in Zion National Park.





# Large Vehicles



The Zion-Mt. Carmel Tunnel connects Zion Canyon to the east side of the park. It was built in the 1920s when large

vehicles were much less common. Vehicles 11'4" tall or taller, or 7'10" wide or wider, require one-lane traffic control through the Zion-Mt. Carmel Tunnel. Because of the tunnel dimensions, large vehicles cannot travel in a single lane through the tunnel. Nearly all RVs, buses, trailers, fifth-wheels, dual-wheel trucks, campers, and boats require traffic control.



TUNNEL TRAFFIC CONTROL

Visitors requiring traffic control through the tunnel must pay a \$15 fee per vehicle in addition to the

entrance fee. Pay this fee at the park entrance station before driving to the tunnel. The fee is good for two trips through the tunnel for the same vehicle during a seven-day period.

Rangers will stop oncoming traffic and you will drive down the center of the road. We apologize for the delays that may result from this safety precaution.

Large vehicles may only travel through the tunnel from:

- November 6 to March 10 from 8:00 am to 4:30 pm
- March 11 into April from 8:00 am to 7:00 pm



#### PROHIBITED VEHICLES

Bicycles and pedestrians are not permitted in the tunnel. Vehicles not permitted in the tunnel

include the following:

- Vehicles over 13'1" tall
- Semi-trucks and commercial vehicles
- Vehicles carrying hazardous materials
- Vehicles weighing more than 50,000 lbs
- Combined vehicles or buses over 50'



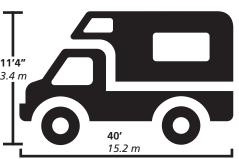
#### LARGE VEHICLE PARKING

Many parking areas in Zion National Park are not intended for large vehicles. Please pay

attention to posted size restrictions. Vehicles longer than 19 feet may not park at Weeping Rock at any time. At the Temple of Sinawava, vehicles longer than 19 feet may park in designated parallel spaces and in front of the shade structure. Buses with a capacity of 16 or more may park at the Checkerboard Mesa pullout, but may not park between Checkerboard Mesa and the Zion-Mt. Carmel Tunnel.



Vehicles over 11'4" (3.4 m) tall or 7'10" (2.4 m) wide, including mirrors, awnings, and jacks, will require traffic control in the tunnel. Single-axle vehicles may not exceed 40' in length.



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